

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 173  
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A RESOLUTION to honor the congregation of Lincoya Hills Baptist Church on the occasion of their 40th Anniversary.

WHEREAS, from time to time, there emerges a special church of dedicated members, who through their faith in the Lord dedicate their services to assisting and shaping the lives of others, thus helping to build a stronger and brighter world; and

WHEREAS, the dream of the mission that was sponsored by the Seventh Baptist Church was to become a beacon in the community as a fully constituted church; and

WHEREAS, the rich history of this outstanding house of worship began as Cloverdale Chapel Mission and later Lincoya Hills Chapel; and

WHEREAS, with 97 charter members, the church was officially founded on September 9, 1956. The name was changed to Lincoya Hills Baptist Church, with Bro. Tommy Bryant serving as Pastor; and

WHEREAS, the fine family of Lincoya Hills Baptist Church are remarkable people who through their talents and gifts reach out to those who are seeking love and kindness; and

WHEREAS, on April 28, 1957, the first building of Lincoya Hills Baptist Church was dedicated to the glory of God. This building, which originally housed the sanctuary and some educational space, has since become the fellowship hall; and

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WHEREAS, a commitment to missions has been a hallmark of the Lincoya Hills Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, on February 20, 1957, the church voted to sponsor "The House of Hope", which later became the "Nashville Union Rescue Mission"; and

WHEREAS, in its first year of life the church ranked 26th in the state in per capita gifts to the Cooperative Program; and

WHEREAS, the church's offering to all missions came to a total of \$385,854 for the years 1971-1995; and

WHEREAS, Lincoya Hills Baptist Church enjoys the support of the community in which it proudly renders service, as the congregation searches for those who have lost their confidence and are in need of spiritual guidance; and

WHEREAS, blessed by God, Lincoya Baptist Church is graced with the spiritual leadership of Reverend Mike Adams; and

WHEREAS, on September 8, 1996, the congregation of Lincoya Hills Baptist Church gloriously celebrated their 40th anniversary as an institution standing upon a solid foundation of love, richness of spirit and faith in God; and

WHEREAS, the members of the congregation have dedicated themselves to service as an active fellowship, worshipping God through Christ, evangelizing their community through preaching and teaching God's Word, and ministering to each other and the community; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this General Assembly pay tribute to one of Tennessee's great churches; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby commend Pastor Mike Adams and the congregation of Lincoya Hills Baptist Church on the occasion of their 40th Anniversary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.